

RE: Proceeding Number 10-238

Comment

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I believe that that southwest Colorado and in particular Durango, CO, should have access to the Denver area television stations. Television in remote environs, as Durango is, constitute the primary means of information regarding events in our state for everything from weather to local events to state and local politics and governance.

By being assigned to Albuquerque stations, Durango citizens are denied important access to Colorado information. We have no insight into Colorado state government and crucial deliberations they are making in this tie of economic stress; our local Congressional representative has no access to wide spread free media; even our weather reporting is limited to a few seconds of incidental reporting and weather in this area can be a life or death event.

One of the Denver stations did a recent report (a not very flattering report) on the local "bridge to nowhere" fiasco by CDOT. The irony of this report was not the stupidity involved but the fact that essentially no one in Durango could see it because it was not on an Albuquerque station.

This is not a difficult problem to solve. The decision for making the change should be based on the best interests of the people of Durango not on the interests of disinterested marketers. Please give Durango and its environs access to Colorado/Denver television.